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To the UNIVERSAL SPECTATOR.

Ecce! iterum Crispinus!

Mr. SPECTATOR,

YOU are a more complaisant Gentleman than I thought you, to take such immediate Regard of the Letter I sent you last Week; and I look upon it also as an Instance of your Wisdom, at least your Sagacity, to do as your *Betters* do, and pay some Deference to *Nonsense* wherever, or however, distinguish'd.

As a *Gallant* and *Petit Maitre* you have had my Character; and all the modern *Petit Maitres* are only humble *Derivatives* of me. My old Friend, Mr. *Nash*, of *Bath*, can distinguish one of my Imitators in five Minutes, after he enters the *Pump Room*; and I assure, in Respect to my former goodly Offices, they are receiv'd with great Protestations of Joy for their Arrival.

In the Winter Season the *Town Avocations* and *Parliamentary Business*, &c. fling me into other publick Scenes: The *Theatrical* being the first and chief, view my *Protean* Honour through several of them. When I am for the Side Boxes, I always join a Party of the *Merry-Grigs*.——The *Merry-Grigs*, you must know, are those witty Ladies, who follow *Martial*'s Rule.

Ride si sapis Puella, ride.
Laugh, if you are wise, Girl, laugh.

You must not think we laugh at the *Wit* or *Humour* of the *Play*: No, no; 'tis at our *own*. Lady *Fanny Giggle*, Miss *Hawhaw*, and grave Mrs. *Titter*, are all fond of me; for I have whisper'd such Things so elegantly loud, that the Actors have stood still, and the whole Pit turn'd and look'd at us: What then? I stood it bluff, and, like a true Hero, brought my Ladies off with Honour.——Sometimes I and two or three of my Children, dress'd with Cockades, enter the Boxes as if we were entering a Breach by Storm; *Vi & Armis* we take Possession; for what *Box-keeper* can withstand the Terror of a *Cockade?* Another Taste I introduced, of coming among Persons of Quality and Fashion like *Stage Coachmen*, *Huntsmen*, *Grooms*, and like such talk'd and acted, to shew the Distinguishment of our Genius from theirs; for while they were attentive to one of the finest Scenes in the Play, we were settling a *Hunting*, or where we should *kill* the *Evening*.——In the *Pit*, the first Night of any *new Piece*, I am in the middle of it; it is I who begin the knocking with Canes, which is the Cue for *Catcalls*. It was I who first call'd out to the Band of Musick to play the *Black Joke*, and never desisted 'till I made them come and play it. I have made the best Actor on the Stage tremble, and the most favourite Actress out with Muckender, and *fall a crying*. *Authors* on *Authors* have I damn'd; in short, I am always mischievous in a Playhouse, except I am *tete a tete* with the Manager; but I have in a great Measure dropt their Acquaintance, ever since *Pantomimes* have been out of Fashion.

From the *Theatres* where shall I turn?—Umph!—To a Place where as much *Farce*, as much *Ridicule*, as much *Tragedy*, and as much *Nonsense*, are to be found. *Westminster Hall* affords me various Opportunities to signalize my great Genius; for, Sir, I do not confine it to one Court; No, every Term I run through them all.——In the *K*——'s *B*——*h* I am the oftnest to be heard; where low, meak, whispering, blushing *Merit*, makes the most contemptible Figure against me that can be imagin'd: I have particular Privileges, for I plead both within and without the Bar: Sometimes I am a little chattering, confident, negligent, ignorant *Serviens ad Legem*, a *Serjeant at Law*.——*The Volubility with which the Rotundity of my Periods periodically flow, all redundantly copious, more than abundantly coercive to evince the Ratiocination*; these, together with, *Under Favour my Lord*——*My Lord with Submission*——*We must leave it to the Court*.——These, believe me, Mr. *Stonecastle*, have made me and many more great *Orators*.——I some Years ago got great Practice by wearing a *greater Wig* than any of my Brethren; and from being famous for my Peruke, I was so from my Practice.——In *Chancery* I am more *solemn*, at the *Exchequer* most *quarrelsome*, and at the *Common-Pleas* most *sleepy*.——'Tis fine dozing under a Coif, while Brother *W*——— is searching out some Quirk of Law, on which, perhaps, only an Estate of Three Hundred Pounds per Annum depends; for he never will leave it 'till he has settled *Justice*.

Doctors Commons has lately been my Residence; my Affairs there began to be but indifferent:——We had but one *Dutchess Divorce* to keep us in Spirits; but since our Men of War brought in rich *Prizes*, and we had the Condemnation of them, and have taken a Breathing, and a Fee or two there, I assure you the the Captains of Men of War are very *sensible Men*, and *they* say *we* are so: We condemn the *Ships*, and they *touch* like *Princes*.

You have seen me now in what is call'd the *Long Robe*; but I have also been impudent enough to put on a *Canonical one*——Pardon me, Right R—v——d and R—v——d Gentlemen, who are of the Families of the *sine Sensu*, who with the greatest Propriety of Reason, the most decent Habit of Elocution, and Learning without Pedantry, if I have surpass'd ye in in common Fame and Applause. But Fact is Fact.

The first Maxim which I allow and follow in Ecclesiastic Eloquence, is *Vociferation*; therefore, to have *Stentorian* Lungs, is of more Edification than to be able to form the best compos'd Discourse. What Numbers have I, in the Form and Name of different Men, drawn together?——But *Vociferation* is not a mere extensive Exercise of the Tongue: There are Rules for its Modulation; as, sometimes you must fall from a *Roar*, down, down at once, to an expiring *spiritualizing Sigh*.——*A Groan!*——is what *Quintilian* would have call'd a fine Exclamation, *Orator* judiciously *snuffled* it through his Nose.——To tell in what Parish Churches I am admir'd and call'd a *fine Man*; what Meetings I breath out my *Spiritualizations*, and am said to be a *Divine Creature*; or to mention that my *Fluidity*, in a certain Chapel, which has prevented my Lord C———n's going to sleep; to repeat these may seem arrogant: It is sufficient to prove my Power that I plan'd *John W--sl--y's Scheme*, that neither he nor *Charles* could execute it, 'till I taught a docile Youth, made him *my Pupil*, and call'd him *George Wh---f---d*. In *him*, and through *him*, what *Regenerative Power* I have had in this more than Mortal-Calling; what Hundreds have *run mad* after me; what *Soul saving*, *Body pinching-Stipendary-Pence*, I have had offer'd up to me, no Heart can conceive, no Tongue can utter. In this Sect, that is, the *Wesleio-Whitfieldeanean*, I take Possession of the *Cathedra*, and fix my Divinity Power with as much Authority as e'er a Professor *Regis* of them all.

In all other Professions and Occurrences I am lik'd: At the Coffee-house as a Politician, and at the Tavern as a Songster; which now compleats the Character of a very honest Fellow. I wish I could give you a Specimen; but as I cannot by my Voice, I conclude with a Song, which I always sing at a Club in ——, where I am always President, and was wrote by a young Poet, a near Relation of yours,

NOISY NONSENSE.

A NEW NONSENSICAL SONG.

I.

COme ye Young and ye Ag'd, come Rich and come Poor;
Come ye Wits and ye Fools, come along;
Come ye *Belles* who're so gay, and ye *Prudes* so demure,
Eke ye Statesmen come list to my Song;
I sing of a Goddess whom NONSENSE ye call,
But 'tis of a Goddess who governs ye All.

II.

'Tis *she* that rules over the Course of our Youth,
As the Aged and Sage all agree;
The Aged and Sage yet allow of this Truth,
Life's Scenery *Nonsense* to be.
If at Youth's blooming Spring, and at Age's late Fall,
'Tis Vanity only, then *Nonsense* rules All.

III.

Without these grave Maxims let us take a Review
Of State-Affairs;——Ask *O—r—d* now,
He'll laugh, and he'll tell you that nothing is new,
And Twenty Years *Nonsense* allow.
If like Luck to New as to Old Statesmen fall,
We still must confess that 'tis *Nonsense* rules All.

IV.

Who is it that now will to Wisdom pretend,
Which with its grave carking brings nothing but Care?
To Schemes quite *nonsensical* Care to unbend,
All, all would agree, for All Pleasure would share.
Then Mortals agree to the Goddess's Call,
It is She gives us Joy, it is She rules us All.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Petersbourg, May 21. Admiral Bass, who commands a Squadron of seven Ships of the Line at Revel, which is to join the Fleet that is sail'd from Cronstadt, having lately receiv'd Advice of some Swedish Frigates and Transports being upon the Coasts of Eastland, with a Design to make a Descent there, sent out Part of his Squadron and took two of the Frigates and one Transport Ship, and dispers'd the rest. General Keith hath already sent out some Gallies from Abo, with 5000 Men on board.

The last Advices from Persia say, that Schah Nadir is arriv'd on the Frontiers of the Grand Signor's Dominions, after a forced March through some Deserts, whereby he lost a great many Men and Horses. The Persian Monarch is making extraordinary Preparations for attacking the Turks.

Stockholm, May 24. Count Tessin is gone into the Country, and as his Dismission will pass the necessary Forms as soon as the Dyet meets again, 'tis said, he designs to sit no more in the Senate or Chancery. On Saturday last, the 21st Instant, Sentence was pronounced upon Lieutenant-General Bodenbroke, which affects his Life, Honour and Estate: He was not present, being sick in Bed. General Lewenhaupt will likewise receive his Sentence soon.

Stockholm, May 31. On the 22d was held a General Assembly of the States of the Kingdom, in order to deliberate upon the last Propositions made by the Plenipotentiaries of Russia, which were of the following Import: 'That though the Empress had hi-'therto insisted that the Peace should be made upon 'the Footing of the *uti possidetis*, yet her Imperial 'Majesty, in order to give Proofs of her Moderation

'and Friendſhip for the King of Sweden, is willing 'to abate of her Pretenſion to the Whole of Fin-'land, and to reſtore to Sweden the Part of that 'Province which is upon the Gulf of Bothnia; pro-'vided that the States of the Kingdom would yield 'to Ruſſia all the Country ſituate between Stangend 'along the Gulf of Finland to the antient Frontiers 'of Ruſſia; and that the ſaid States ſhould chuſe the 'Duke of Holſtein, Biſhop of Lubec, to ſucceed to 'the Crown, &c.'

After ſome warm Debates upon the Contents of theſe Propoſitions, the Order of the Nobility took the following Reſolution: 'To offer to Ruſſia *pro* 'ultimato, all the Country which is on the other 'Side of the Kemini, and to elect the Biſhop of Lu-'bec Succeſſor to the Crown, upon Condition that 'ſhe accepts theſe Offers before the 15th of June, and 'engages to give a ſuitable Satisfaction to the Court 'of Denmark.' It is therein further ſaid, that if it ſhould, contrary to Expectation, happen that Ruſſia ſhould not accept theſe Offers in the Term ſtipulated, they ſhould then proceed to the Election of the Prince of Denmark.

This Reſolution was approv'd of by the Senate, by the Members of the Committee of Election, by the Majority of the Order of the Clergy, and by that of the Burghers; but the Order of the Peaſants obſtinately perſiſt in the Choice of the Prince Royal of Denmark, and even inſinuate that they will break up the Diet if the other Orders refuſe to conform to their Sentiments.

Madrid, May 21. Don Manuel Pontius de Leon, who was appointed to lead to Savoy the Body of Militia deſtin'd to reinforce the Infant Don Philip's Army, has writ to Court, that it is impoſſible to overcome the Averſion of thoſe Troops going out of the Kingdom; that above half of them have already deſerted, and that the reſt threaten to defend themſelves if any Violence be offer'd to them. The Courier ſent hither by Pontius de Leon on this Occaſion, has been ſent back to Barcelona, with Orders to ſuſpend proviſionally the March of the Militia.

Prague, June 4. We loſt at Deckendorff, kill'd and wounded, 86 Men. General Baranai, with a Body of Huſſars was immediately detach'd to ſcour the Danube, and having attack'd the Head of the Bridge at Straubing, he march'd from thence to Stadt-am-hoff. From Prince Lobkowitz's Corps we have Advice of the Huſſars having taken the only remaining French Partiſan M. Jacob; we have alſo the only Bavarian Partiſan Ferari; the former was taken with forty of his Men, the reſt were ſabred. Prince Lobkowitz has advanced to Regenſtauff; the French are all retir'd, and have left the Naab clear, even Burlingenfeld; they have only a Garriſon at Amberg: A Body of them is aſſembling at Weix, and have there laid their Bridge, having deſtroy'd that at Taunerhoff. Prince Charles marches up the Danube, and will be ſoon with them. General Nadaſti being employ'd at Aoſt with his Huſſars, in obſerving Marſhal Seckendorf at Morſperg, that General ſent out a Body of 800 choſen Horſe to attack the Huſſars, which, as there were few Parties of them out, might make about 1000 Men. Theſe ſtood their Ground in order of Battle, and were approach'd by the Bavarian Horſe with as good a Countenance; but when the latter thought to begin their Attack, the Huſſars, in their uſual Way, immediately divided into three Bodies; ſo that they took the Bavarians in Front, in Flank, and in Rear, which ſo diſconcerted the latter, that our Huſſars kill'd 600, and took as many of their Horſes; they have preſerv'd Priſoners the Colonel who commanded, the Lieutenant Colonel, the Major, and three Captains. Thoſe who run away were purſu'd to Landſhut, ſo that few eſcap'd. It is doubted whether General Seckendorf can have with him as many more Horſe.

Dreſden, June 8. The Sieur Bouder, Secretary to the French Embaſſador here, has been taken Priſoner by General Feſtitiz's Huſſars, as he was endeavouring to bring fifty or ſixty Oxen, with ſome Cart-Loads of Bacon, into Egra. Under favour of a fictitious Name, and a Pretext to look for Mineral Waters at Egra for the Court, he found Means to obtain Paſſports, not only from the Saxon Officers, but alſo from M. Launay, who is charg'd with the Queen of Hungary's Affairs at this Court.

Mentz, June 8. Count Saxe having abandon'd Amberg, and all the Upper Palatinate, came with his Corps to Regenſtoff, where he examin'd the Entrenchments, and planted ſeveral Pieces of Cannon, with ſome Horſe and Dragoons, in different Places; but that was only a Feint, for on the 2d Inſtant, about Ten at Night, he ſilently filed off towards the Caſtle of Weicks, taking all his Artillery with him. The French run from Poſt to Poſt with the utmoſt Precipitancy and Conſternation. It is a ſad Sight to ſee how the Sick and Wounded are forced to travel in the Heat of the Day, ſome in Waggons, and ſome on Foot: Many of them die upon the Road, and all are exceſſively fatigu'd. Letters from Gernſheim of the 6th Inſtant ſay, that the French who were at Sinſheim and at Heidelberg, under the Command of the Prince Dombes, and thoſe who were at Spires and Frankenthal, took Poſſeſſion the Day before of the Camp mark'd out for them near Lorſch; and Information is juſt arriv'd from Benſheim, that the French Infantry and Cavalry began their March from Lorſch on the ſaid 6th Inſtant at Midnight, and continu'd their Route to Eberſtadt, near Darmſtadt; that the French Cavalry was provided with Forage for two Days, and that they gave out that they were going to attack the Engliſh Army, which has now paſs'd the Main.

Francfort, June 9. The Engliſh and Hanoverian Infantry and Dragoons paſs'd the Main laſt Monday and Tueſday, and are encamp'd on the other Side along that River. The Auſtrians have not yet paſs'd; the reſt of the Britiſh and Hanoverian Troops are daily arriving, and the Heſſians are expected ſoon. The French are ſaid to be within eight or nine Miles of them. Yeſterday Morning ſix Britiſh Regiments march'd at Day-break without ſounding Drum or Trumpet, and were follow'd by ſix Pieces of Cannon; but we do not learn yet whether they are gone to get Poſſeſſion of ſome advantageous Poſt, or only to ſecure ſome Forage.

Francfort, June 9. The 5th Inſtant the Emperor's Principal Commiſſary at the Dyet, preſented to that Aſſembly a Decree from his Imperial Majeſty, whereby he gives his Conſent to the Reſolution of the Germanick Body to employ their Mediation with that of the Maritime Powers, in order to reſtore Peace to the Empire.

Cologn, June 7. A Detachment of the Scotch Regiment of the Highlanders paſs'd through this City the 4th and 5th Inſtant, going to the Britiſh Army on the Main.

Hague, June 11. By the freſheſt Advices we have from the Side of Bavaria, we learn, that Prince Lobkowitz had made himſelf Maſter of Stadt-am-hoff with little or no Oppoſition from the French, who retir'd from thence upon his Approach, and encamp'd under the Caſtle of Weix; but the ſame Advices add, that upon the Departure of the Poſt, Prince Lobkowitz had made ſeveral Diſpoſitions to diſlodge them from thence, and had began to cannonade their Camp from ſome Batteries he had rais'd upon an Eminence between Stadt-am-hoff and that Caſtle; and we hear ſince, that the French having made a Sally from Weix, were repuls'd with great Slaughter.

Hague, June 12. The Prince of Waldeck having deſir'd Leave of their High Mightineſſes to make the Campaign this Year as General of Foot in one of the Queen of Hungary's Armies, their High Mightineſſes very readily granted it, on Condition that he promis'd to return on the firſt Notice. On the 8th in the Afternoon Mr. Trevor receiv'd an Expreſs from Hanover, and the ſame Afternoon a ſpecial Packet-Boat was hired to carry him to London; whence it is conceiv'd, that the Diſpatches he is charged with are of very great Importance. As yet we have no certain Advice that Marſhal Broglio has taken a Reſolution to join the Imperialiſts, though ſuch a Report has prevail'd here for ſome Time.

From the Paris A-la-main, June 10.

The 6th Inſtant a Courier arriv'd from the Army in Bavaria, whoſe Diſpatches are not made publick; however, a Report prevails that he has brought the News of Braunau's ſurrendring to the Auſtrians.

They write from Toulon, that Admiral Mathews is come back before that Harbour, which occaſions a great deal of Uneaſineſs along our Coaſts, inaſmuch as he has juſt receiv'd 10 or 12,000 Bombs. This Admiral is in a Condition to make Deſcents which might do us a great deal of Harm, ſhould there be a Rupture with the Engliſh, becauſe we have on that Side only about 7000 regular Troops, three Battalions of Militia, and 10,000 Men call'd Coaſt-Guards. They add, that ſome Engliſh Ships having purſued a few Days ſince two Spaniſh Veſſels up to the Mouth of the Harbour of Toulon, the Cannon of the advanc'd Forts was fir'd upon the former, who receiv'd great Damage thereby. M. de la Tour, Commandant of Toulon, arriv'd here laſt Wedneſday, in order to take new Inſtructions on Occaſion of the Return of the Britiſh Fleet.

From the Cape of Good Hope, Feb. 2. Baron William Imhoff, Governor General of the Dutch Eaſt-India Company, arriv'd here the 21ſt of laſt Month, and found in this Port the Dregterland, which arriv'd from Batavia the 3d of the ſame Month. We hear by that Ship that they enjoy'd perfect Tranquility at Batavia, and all over the Iſland of Java; that the Emperor of Java, and the other Princes of the Country make no Motions that can give any room to ſuſpect that they have a Mind to break the Peace; that there is a profound Tranquility in the other Settlements belonging to the Company, except on the Coaſt of Malabar, where the Inhabitants near the Dutch Factories moleſt them of late and diſturb their Trade. Upon this Advice Baron Imhoff immediately ſent away the Wickenburgh with 500 Men well arm'd, in order to quell the Malabares. His Excellency intends to put to Sea again in about a Fortnight.

PLANTATION NEWS.

New-York, April 11. Wedneſday laſt arriv'd here the brave Capt. Warren, in his Majeſty's Ship the Launceſton, from a Cruize, by whom we have an Account of Commodore Knowles's attacking La Guerte. Capt. Warren in this Cruize has taken three Veſſels; one a Spaniſh Sloop which he has ſent into Antigua; another a French Ship of 300 Tons, loaded with Proviſions, ſome Arms and Powder, bound to the Havanna, which he ſent to Jamaica, in order to be condemn'd there; and the third a Spaniſh Brig, loaded with Paper, Canary Wine, Pope's Bulls, &c. which was order'd for this Place, but is not yet arriv'd.

IRELAND.

Dublin, May 28. On Wedneſday laſt died of an Inflammation of the Lungs, John Tucker, L. L. D. an eminent Advocate in the Spiritual Courts.

Laſt Thurſday Evening died Thomas Durham, (born in the Biſhoprick of Durham) Serjeant Major of the Royal Hoſpital near Dublin, aged 106. He was a ſtrong Man, and retain'd his Health and Memory to the laſt, and never was known to be ſick until about a Fortnight before he died.

Dublin, May 31. On Saturday laſt John Pigott, Eſq; eldeſt Son of Southwell Pigott, of Capard in the Queen's-County, Eſq; was married to Miſs Brownlow, at the Houſe of Sir John Denny Veſey at Abbyleix in the ſaid County, Bart. a Lady of great Accompliſhments and a conſiderable Fortune.

Yeſterday Morning died Alexander Nesbit, Eſq; Solicitor to the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Revenue.

Yeſterday died, at her Houſe in Jervis-Street, much lamented, the Right Hon. the Lady Charlemont, Mother to the preſent Lord Charlemont, who is a Minor, and Lady of Matthew Adderley, Eſq;

On Sunday Morning died, very much lamented, at his Seat at Bray in the County of Wicklow, Jeremiah Donovan, Eſq; and we hear he has left his Eſtate to the Right Hon. the Earl of Meath. By this Gentleman's Care the Country People on that Part of the Coaſt have worn off that barbarous Cuſtom of plundering Ships and Mariners, who have the Misfortune to be drove on Shoar there. A particular Inſtance of which happen'd when he was High Sheriff of the County; for his Vigilance, and ſuddenly raiſing all his Tenants, he ſav'd a Ship and Cargoe valued at 10,000 l. belonging to ſome Merchants of London, who in Return preſented him with a very fine Service of Plate.

LONDON.

'Tis reported that a Peace between *Spain* and *England* is near concluded, to the *Honour* and *Satisfaction* of both Courts. ——*But these Politicians do not mention how* our Honour *and* Satisfaction *is to be adjusted in* America; *nor what is to become of Don* Philip *in* Italy.

Their Excellencies the Lords Juſtices have appointed Edward Croxhall, of Shuſtock, Eſq; to be Sheriff of the County of Warwick, in the room of Bourne Eabourne, Eſq; deceas'd.

Tueſday the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, nominated John Aſhley, of Northampton, Eſq; Citizen and Draper, formerly an eminent Woollen-Draper in Cornhill, as a fit and able Perſon to ſerve the Office of Sheriff of this City and the County of Middleſex, for the Year enſuing.

The Commiſſioners of the Exciſe have appointed Mr. Dargent to be a Supervisor in the Lancaſter Diviſion, in the room of Mr. King, deceas'd.

It is confidently reported, that a certain Perſon who nefariouſly poſſeſs'd himſelf of a great Eſtate and Title, finding his Privilege, and all other Arts hitherto practis'd, inſufficient to ſcreen him againſt the Purſuits of an injur'd young Gentleman, has lately had Recourſe to the little low crafty Tricks of Law, in order, if poſſible, to delay Trial until the Return of Privilege, being deſirous of putting off the evil Day as long as poſſible.

Laſt Week the Hon. James Anneſley, Eſq; ſet out for Ireland, in order to bring his Suit in that Kingdom to a Trial.

We hear that Robert Knight, Eſq; late Caſhier of the South-Sea Company, arriv'd laſt Week at a Houſe hir'd for him in Gould-Square, near Tower-Hill.

Thurſday ſe'nnight the Lords of the Regency met at the Cockpit, Whitehall, when their Lordſhips were pleas'd to order that the Parliament, which ſtood prorogued to Tueſday laſt, ſhould be further prorogu'd to Tueſday the 14th Day of July next.

The ſame Day Monſieur de Buſſy, Miniſter from the Court of France, ſet out ſuddenly from his Houſe in Leiceſter-Fields for Paris, where he is to receive his Inſtructions, and from thence we hear he is to go to his Britannick Majeſty on the Rhine.

The next Day M. De Oſſorio, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Sardinia, kiſs'd the Prince of Wales's Hand on taking Leave of his Royal Highneſs; and laſt Wedneſday his Excellency ſet out on his Return home.

All the Advices from Germany agree that the French, who have ſo long made a grand Parade, are dancing back with the utmoſt Precipitation, and meet with Loſſes and Croſſes continually; in one Place their Artillery, in another their Small-Arms, in a third their Ammunition, in a fourth their Baggage, in a fifth their Linnen (juſt after they had waſh'd it) and in all Places their Honour, are taken from them, moſtly by a Body of Fellows, who, they ſay, are a wild undiſciplin'd Rabble.——Indeed it muſt be own'd that they are an unpoliſh'd People, and have not paid the leaſt Regard to the Politeneſs and Magnificence of the French Nation.

Letters from Litchfield ſay, that laſt Week was married at that Cathedral, James Corbett, Eſq; a Gentleman poſſeſs'd of an Eſtate of 1200 l. a Year near Newport in Shropſhire, to Miſs Molly Hewitt, of Litchfield, an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 7000 l.

Laſt Week Mr. Thomas Gilbert, an eminent Weaver at Coventry, was married there to Miſs Betty Taylor, Daughter of William Taylor, Eſq; late Head-Keeper of the New-Gaol and Marſhalſea Priſons in Southwark, a beautiful Lady, with a Fortune of 6000 l.

Laſt Week Mr. Venner, an eminent Factor at Coventry, was marry'd at St. Mary's in that City to Mrs. Wright of Dunchurch, Relict of Mr. Wright, a wealthy Farmer and Maltſter, an agreeable Gentlewoman with a Fortune of 6000 l.

Laſt Week Mr. Smart, a wealthy Diſtiller near Middle-Row in Holborn, was married to Miſs Staples, Daughter of Mr. Staples, an eminent Malt-Diſtiller at Limehouſe, an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 6000 l.

Laſt Saturday Mr. Knight, a wealthy Diſtiller in Whitechapel, was married (at St. Mary Le Bow, Stratford) to Miſs Sally Jackſon of Stratford, an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 5000 l.

The ſame Day an eminent Cheeſemonger, near Dock-Head, Southwark, aged about 70, was married at Deptford to a briſk Girl of 18, a Servant in his Neighbourhood. 'Tis obſervable that the old Gentleman had not buried his former Wife above ſix Weeks, and he has now ventur'd to lay a conſiderable Wager that his Spouſe will bring him an Heir in ten Months.

We hear by Letters from Gibraltar of the 28th of April, that Capt. William Blackbourne Houghton, only Son to Col. Daniel Houghton, and who went over laſt Summer with the Regiment, died there on the 26th of April, after a few Days Illneſs.

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A few Days ſince died, at Broadway in Somerſetſhire, the Lady Trenchard, Relict of Sir John Trenchard, Knt. Chief Juſtice of Cheſter, and afterwards one of the Principal Secretaries of State in the Reign of King William.

Laſt Week died at Leatherhead in Surrey, Colney Windham, Eſq; one of the Chief Clerks in the Annuity-Office: His Place, which is very conſiderable, is in the Gift of the Right Hon. the Lord Walpole, Auditor of the Exchequer.

Laſt Week died, at his Seat at Watford in Hertfordſhire, John Bradſhaw, of Billiter-Square, Eſq; formerly an eminent Glover in Leadenhall-Street, but having acquir'd a handſome Fortune, had reſign'd Buſineſs ſome Years ſince.

On Saturday Morning laſt died, at her Father's Houſe at Stanmore in Middleſex, Miſs Anne Drummond, Daughter to Mr. Andrew Drummond, an eminent Banker at Charing-Croſs.

On Tueſday ſe'nnight died, at his Seat at Thorp, in the County of Surrey, the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount Fitzwilliam, of Merrion in the Kingdom of Ireland.

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Monday died at his Lodgings at Camberwell, after a lingering Illneſs, Mr. Cook, an eminent Woolſtapler in Horſlydown, Southwark, reputed wotrh 10,000 l.

On Monday died, in advanced Years, at his Seat at Edmonton, Mr. Briſcoe, an eminent wholeſale Linnen-draper in Cheapſide.

On Monday laſt died of an Apoplectick Fit, as he was writing a Letter to his Mother in London, Mr. Deal, a wealthy Farmer near Lewiſham in Kent, who has left a Wife and ſeven Children.

Tueſday died at Fulham, in the 66th Year of his Age, Robert Griffier, Eſq; a Gentleman poſſeſs'd of a plentiful Fortune.

On Saturday a Diſpenſation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. John Hoadley, B. L. Son to the Biſhop of Wincheſter, to hold the Rectory of Arleſford, in the County of Hants and Dioceſe of Wincheſter, together with the Rectory of St. Mary, near Southampton.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has preſented the Rev. John Douſing to the Rectory of South Wooton, in the County of Norfolk and Dioceſe of Norwich.

The Right Hon. the Lord Tyrconnel has been pleaſed to preſent the Rev. Mr. Jacob Savignac to the Rectory of Snelland, in the County and Dioceſe of Lincoln, void by the Reſignation of the Rev. Mr. Gibet, Chaplain to his Grace the Duke of Manchester.

The Rev. Richard Eyre, B. D. is preſented to the Rectory of Bright-Walton, in the County of Berks and Dioceſe of Saliſbury.

On Saturday laſt the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, removed Mr. Waite, their late Caſhier, from the Fleet-Priſon to the King's-Bench in Southwark, by a Writ of Habeas Corpus, in order to charge him with a Declaration for 1300 l. at their Suit.——Mr. Waite, was arreſted laſt February, at the Suit of the Bank for 13,300 l. and was remov'd ſoon after by a Habeas Corpus from Newgate to the

Thurſday ſe'nnight the Right Hon. the Lords Commiſſioners for Appeals gave Judgment in the Cauſe before them, in regard to the Claims on the Le Pierre Joſeph, taken by his Majeſty's Ship the Squirrel, and unanimouſly agreed not to receive any Claims on a Spaniſh Regiſter-Ship. The Encouragement their Lordſhips have been pleas'd to give to the whole Navy in general, as well as the Captors of this Prize, by their Judgment in this Caſe, will entirely prevent for the future any unjuſt Claims, or tedious Law-Suits, after the unwearied Sailor has brought home his Prize to the deſir'd Port, and diſcourage hereafter the Spaniſh Agents and clandeſtine Traders from giving Trouble, Expence, and Delay, to the brave and lucky Captors of Spaniſh Regiſter-Ships.

Laſt Week a Waggon was overturn'd on Finchley-Common, by which unhappy Accident a Daughter of Mr. Brand in Petty-France, Weſtminſter, about Twelve Years of Age, was kill'd; her Brother, who was in the Waggon with her, eſcap'd by jumping out.

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Laſt Week Lawrence Hayes was committed to Daggers's Bridewell in Southwark, by William Clarke, Eſq; for three Months (purſuant to an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſion of Parliament) for hawking, vending, carrying about, ſelling and expoſing to Sale, News Papers not being duly ſtamp'd, as preſcrib'd by ſeveral Acts relating to Stamp-Duties.

On Saturday laſt Elizabeth Walton, was committed to Daggers's Bridewell in Southwark, by William Clarke, Eſq; for hawking, ſelling, and expoſing to ſale, News-Papers not being duly ſtamp'd, as preſcrib'd by ſeveral Acts relating to Stamp-Duties.

By Letters from St. Mary's in Cornwall we have Advice, that a Veſſel laden with Corn, Briton, Maſter, ſprung a Leak off that Place and was loſt, with all her Cargo; but the Men ſav'd themſelves in their Boat.

Letters from Jamaica, dated March 30 ſay, that the York Man of War, Capt. Coates, had taken a Spaniſh Ship call'd the Santa Magdalena, laden with Wine and ſome Pieces of Eight, bound to Cuba, and carry'd her into Port-Royal: She is eſteem'd a very conſiderable Prize.

From the London Gazette.

Whitehall, June 4. His Majeſty's Ship the Port-Mahon, commanded by the Hon. Captain Henry Aylmer, being on a Cruize, receiv'd Intelligence from the Maſter of a Dutch Ship on the 20th of laſt Month, that three Days before he had met with a Spaniſh Privateer in the Lat. of 46. 25. N. which, when they parted, ſtood to the Northward, with Deſign, as he believ'd, to cruize on the Coaſt of Ireland: Upon this Captain Aylmer went in Queſt of the Privateer, and on Sunday the 29th, in the Lat. of 50. 16. N. fell in with her, and after maintaining a Running Fight, from Five till Ten o'Clock in the Morning, ſhe ſtruck; and Captain Aylmer has brought her into Kingroad. She is call'd the Santa Thereſa de Jeſus, of St. Sebaſtian, of 16 Carriage Guns, and 147 Men of different Nations, ten of which were kill'd and fourteen wounded in the Engagement; and was commanded by Francis Bonnet, a Frenchman. She had been out twenty Days, but had taken no Prize. The Port-Mahon had but one Man wounded in the Arm.

Whitehall, June 6. Capt. Carteret, Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the Greyhound, cruizing in the Channel, met with a Dutch Man of War on the firſt Inſtant, call'd the Middlebourg, which left Curacoa on the 19th of April, O. S. and brought

ceeded to La Guira, in order to attack the Town, and seize or destroy the Ships or Vessels which lay in the Road; and accordingly, on the 19th of February, about One o'Clock in the Afternoon, the Burford, commanded by Capt. Lushington, which led the Van, began the Attack, and in less than an Hour the whole Squadron were at Anchor, Cannonading the Town with great Briskness, and by Three o'Clock had made the Enemy slacken their Fire very much, so as only now and then to fire a Gun; but the Burford having receiv'd many dangerous Shots between Wind and Water, and her Cables being cut she fell out of the Line, and driving on board the Norwich, oblig'd her, and the Altham, to quit the Line too, and the Force of the Current drove them a great Way to Leeward, which animated the Enemy to return to their Batteries and renew their Fire. The rest of the Squadron continued Cannonading not without Hopes of Success, as a Shell had fallen into one of the largest Batteries on the Side of the Hill, which blew up the Magazine and set it on Fire; but

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ton was mortally wounded, and died soon after his Arrival at Curacoa, regretted by every Body; in whose Death the Publick has lost a worthy gallant Officer. There were likewise kill'd, one Lieutenant and 92 Men, and 308 wounded.

The Dutch Captain told Capt. Carteret, that Capt. Knowles sail'd from Curacoa the first of April, N. S. with eleven Sail of Ships for Porto Cavallo.

We hear that the Damage which each Ship sustain'd in the above Attack, is as follows, viz.

The Suffolk, of 70 Guns, receiv'd in her Hull 146 Shot, had 29 Men kill'd, and 80 wounded.

The Burford, of 70 Guns, receiv'd 94 Shot, had 24 Men kill'd, and 50 wounded.

The Assistance, of 50 Guns, receiv'd 54 Shot, had 13 kill'd, and 71 wounded.

The Eltham, of 40 Guns, receiv'd 41 Shot, had 14 kill'd, and 55 wounded.

The Norwich, of 50 Guns, receiv'd 9 Shot, had 1 kill'd, and 11 wounded.

The Advice, of 50 Guns, receiv'd 10 Shot, had 5 kill'd, and 15 wounded.

The Lively, of 20 Guns, receiv'd 10 Shot, had 6 kill'd, and 24 wounded.

The Scarborough, of 20 Guns, receiv'd 3 Shot, and had 2 wounded.

So that on the Whole the eight Ships receiv'd 367 Shot.

Whitehall, June 7. The King has been pelas'd to constitute and appoint Robinson Sowle, Esq; to be Colonel of the Regiment of Foot, whereof Stephen Cornwallis, Esq; deceas'd, was late Colonel.

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